(b) if so, by when the design and development of scientific instruments to be flown on Chandrayan is likely to become available;

(c) whether the mission is progressing as per schedule; and

(d) by when the launch is likely to take place?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) The detailed design and development of the scientific instruments to be flown onboard Chandrayan-1 have commenced and will be completed as per schedule.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The Chandrayan-1 is scheduled for launch in 2007-08.

Spply of Uranium from Russia

2028. SHRI R.K. ANAND: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is fact that Russia has expressed its inability to supply enriched Uranium to keep the Tarapur Nuclear Power Plant going;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) what alternative arrangement has been initiated?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN): (a) No, Sir. No formal communication has been received from the Russian Government with regard to supply of enriched Uranium for Tarapur Atomic Power Station Units 1 and 2.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) MOX technology was developed indigenously for makiing fuel for Tarapur Atomic Power Station Units 1& 2.

Agreement with European Space Agency

2029. SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that ISRO had entered into an agreement with European Space Agency for paticipation in their space-based navigation system GALLILEO: